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The Honorable Mark Begich  
United States Senator  
101 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 328  
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Dear Senator Begich:

Thank you for your letter of November 18, 2011, sent on your behalf by your staff, regarding the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10's recent Preliminary Assessment investigation at the Aurora Energy Power Plant in Fairbanks, Alaska. In the letter you requested a copy of the Preliminary Assessment report. At this time the EPA's investigation is not complete, but it is anticipated that a final report will be finished by the end of year. Once the report is finished, we will send a copy to your office.

The EPA appreciates your interest in our investigation. If your staff has additional questions about the EPA's investigation or the Preliminary Assessment process, please have them contact Brandon Perkins of the Office of Environmental Cleanup at (206) 553-6396 or [perkins.brandon@epa.gov](mailto:perkins.brandon@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Dennis J. McLerran", is positioned above the typed name.

Dennis J. McLerran  
Regional Administrator